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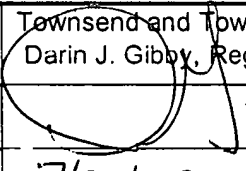
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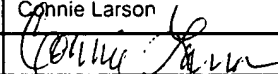
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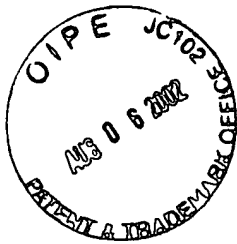
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 23, 2002. Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I, i.e., claims 1-15 and 31-35. This election is made without traverse. Accordingly, please cancel claims 16-30 and 36-55, without prejudice for filing in one or more divisional applications.

Applicants also elect the species represented by Fig. 1. It is believed that claims 1-15 and 31-35 read on this species. Counsel for the Applicants also notes that the dispensing cabinets in Figs. 1 and 2 are merely examples of different types of

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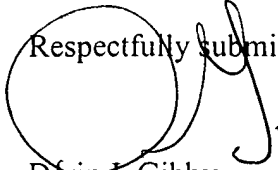
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dispensing cabinets that would be used with the methods set forth in claims 1-15 and 31-

35. Hence, the elected claims also read on the species represented in Fig. 2.

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